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Title: **ULTRASONIC SURGICAL INSTRUMENT HAVING AN INCREASED WORKING LENGTH**

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Commissioner For Patents  
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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME  
AND AUTHORIZATION TO CHARGE DEPOSIT ACCOUNT**

Dear Sir:

Applicant(s) petition(s) the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated September 8, 2008 for three (3) month(s) from December 8, 2008 to March 8, 2009.

Please charge Deposit Account No. 100750/END5009USNP/VEK in the name of Johnson & Johnson for the cost of filing this Petition.

Respectfully submitted,

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